



PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 7040.0103.00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Gianluigi HOTELLIER et al.)
Application No. 09/966,115) Group Art Unit: 1714
Filed: October 1, 2001) Examiner: Cain, E.
For: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING A)
SILICA-REINFORCED RUBBER)
COMPOUND)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to reply to the Office

Action mailed May 19, 2004. A fee of \$110.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any
additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: September 8, 2004